

August 11, 2010

ITEM NO. C1

RATIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE ILLINOIS Y.E.S. PROGRAM AND EXECUTION OF SUB-GRANT AGREEMENTS AND AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to ratify the acceptance of a grant award and execution of a grant agreement with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services (“DFSS”) in the amount of \$2,000,000 and execution of sub-grant agreements with Employment & Employer Services, Inc. (“E&ES”) and TEC Services, Inc. (“TEC”) in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 to provide 600 CHA youth with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the Illinois Y.E.S. Program (“Y.E.S.”) and authorization to increase the comprehensive budget by \$2,000,000.

FUNDING

N/A

EXPLANATION

On July 13, 2010, CHA received notice of an award of \$2,000,000 from DFSS to provide 600 CHA youth ages 16 – 24 with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through Y.E.S. CHA will ratify an amendment to the following contracts to provide job training and employment opportunities to eligible CHA youth at worksites throughout Chicago:

- Employment & Employer Services (Contract No. 9037 for Transitional Jobs);
- TEC Services, Inc. (Contract No. 9038 for Transitional Jobs).

E&ES and TEC will collaborate with CHA’s case management providers to recruit participants for this summer employment opportunity with a focus on the community areas not served by the JobStart program. CHA youth participating in Y.E.S. will receive workforce services including job readiness training, a subsidized job placement through September 30, 2010 and supportive services (e.g. transportation and child care assistance). Participants will be placed in a subsidized position for a minimum of four (4) weeks, work for up to 40 hours per week and earn a wage of \$8.25 per hour. Participants attending school will have the opportunity to work part-time through September 30. Upon completion of the subsidized placement, participants not enrolled in school will receive unsubsidized placement assistance and continued retention services through their FamilyWorks case management provider.

Based on the foregoing, it is in the best interest of CHA to ratify the acceptance of a grant award and execution of a grant agreement with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services in an amount of \$2,000,000 and execution of sub-grant agreements with Employment & Employer Services, Inc. and TEC Services, Inc. in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 to provide 600 CHA youth with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the Illinois Y.E.S. Program and authorization to increase the comprehensive budget by \$2,000,000.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-98

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated August 11, 2010, entitled “RATIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE ILLINOIS Y.E.S. PROGRAM AND EXECUTION OF SUB-GRANT AGREEMENTS AND AUTHORIZATION TO INCREASE THE COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET”;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, the Board of Commissioners ratifies the acceptance of a grant award and execution of a grant agreement with the City of Chicago Department of Family and Support Services in the amount of \$2,000,000 and execution of sub-grant agreements with Employment & Employer Services, Inc. and TEC Services, Inc. in an aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 to provide 600 CHA youth with job training, skill development and employment opportunities through the Illinois Y.E.S. Program and authorization to increase the comprehensive budget by \$2,000,000.

